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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 955
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A RESOLUTION to honor the memory of Richard "Skippy"
Stockman, Sr. of Lewisburg.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Richard "Skippy" Stockman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stockman was an exemplary public servant and consummate professional who worked assiduously to improve the quality of life for his fellow citizens in numerous capacities; and

WHEREAS, a native of Williamson County, he was the son of the late W. E. and Florence Franks Stockman; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stockman served with acumen and alacrity as a Field Representative with the Tennessee State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers and previously as a Funeral Director of McDaniel Funeral Home and Cornersville Funeral Home, in which positions he earned the respect of his peers and his community alike for his compassion and the exemplary quality of his work; and

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WHEREAS, this gallant American served in the United States Navy during World War II and thus holds a position of honor among those estimable patriots who have rightly been called our nation's "Greatest Generation"; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stockman was an active and devout member of the Cornersville United Methodist Church, where he was an inspiration to many; and

WHEREAS, he was also deeply devoted to his family and always endeavored to remain true to family values of the highest order; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stockman cherished the loving companionship of his wife of fifty-two years, Rebecca Franklin Stockman; and

WHEREAS, he will be sorely missed by his daughters and their husbands, Reta and Steve Adams and Robin and Scott Himes; and

WHEREAS, a devoted grandfather, Skippy Stockman leaves behind four grandchildren, Brad and Jamie Adams and Reanna and Ryan Nicholson, and two step-grandchildren, Connor and Chase Himes; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Stockman was preceded in death by his son, Ricky Stockman; and

WHEREAS, Skippy Stockman leaves behind an indelible legacy of integrity and probity in public life, compassion and loyalty in private life, and diligence and dedication in all his chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should pause to remember the bountiful life of this exceptional public servant and human being; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor the memory of Richard "Skippy" Stockman, Sr., reflecting fondly upon his impeccable character and his stalwart commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That we express our sympathy and offer our condolences to the family of Mr. Stockman.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.